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**Change of Leadership Ceremony:  
William O. Filbert Installed As Warden Of  
Maryland Pre-Release System**

TOWSON, MD (March 11, 2008)---William O. Filbert, a 30-year veteran of State corrections, was officially installed today as Warden of the Maryland Correctional Pre-Release System. The action took place at a formal Change of Leadership ceremony at the Brockbridge Correctional Facility, one of six that Mr. Filbert will oversee.

Warden Filbert has served in a number of key posts throughout the State correctional system since beginning as a correctional officer at the old State Pen in 1978. Along the way, he has served as Warden or Assistant Warden at six facilities, leading prisons housing men, women, and juveniles, in jobs spanning both the Division of Correction and the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services (the DPSCS agency that operates Baltimore City facilities). Most recently, Mr. Filbert served more than four years as Warden of the Baltimore City Detention Center.

As the Warden of the Pre-Release System, Mr. Filbert will oversee the "last-stop" facilities for inmates who are about to return to society. These centers, each led by a Facility Administrator, are located in all areas of Maryland. They include the Herman Toulson Boot Camp, Jessup Pre-Release Unit, and Brockbridge Correctional Facility in Jessup; the Southern Maryland Pre-Release Unit in Charlotte Hall; Eastern Pre-Release Unit in Church Hill on the Eastern Shore; and the Central Laundry Facility in Sykesville.

Mr. Filbert is a dedicated public servant who is respected as a firm, fair, and thorough correctional professional.

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